



WAIKIKI NEIGHBORHOOD BOARD NO. 09

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Honolulu City Council
Zoning Committee
Chair Kimberly Pine and Committee Members

Aloha Chair Pine,

At the June 13, 2017 meeting of the Waikiki Neighborhood Board (WNB) the members gave unanimous support to the Waikiki Transportation Management Association (WTMA) proposal to organize in compliance with Council Bills 63 and 64. The vote was 13-0-0 on these bills.

The WTMA presentation by Waikiki Improvement Association (WIA) President Rick Egged cumulated about 18 months of updates on the progress of the WTMA working group to address traffic issues in Waikiki.

I have been personally involved in all meetings of the working group to address concerns of the residents from adding additional parking meters to assuring parking being available for servicing vehicles like plumbers be assured in the final plan to implement the WTMA. I am pleased that while I contributed nothing to the costs of supporting this group all of my concerns were answered and most of my resident concerns were made priorities for the WTMA working group.

By our vote and the 18 months of discussions on this matter the WNB members supported the goal of better controlling all aspects of Waikiki traffic and parking. From a better coordinated vendor delivery schedule for things like hotel and business supplies to better bus scheduling to reduce the impact on our heavily trafficked streets (Royal Hawaiian Avenue and Kalakaua are prime examples).

Request the Zoning Committee give positive consideration to this long overdue effort by the community improve the quality of life for both the residents and visitor industry in Waikiki.

Mahalo,


Robert Finley
Chair

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